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### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

### FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

### PORTLAND DIVISION

CASCADIA WILDLANDS, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

**JOHN KITZHABER**, in his official capacity as Governor of Oregon and Chair of the State Land Board, *et al.*,

Defendants,

and

OREGON FOREST INDUSTRIES COUNCIL, et al. and ASSOCIATION OF OREGON COUNTIES,

Defendant- Intervenors.

Case No.: 3: 12cv00961-AA

JOINT MOTION OF THE PARTIES FOR AN EXTENSION OF FACT DISCOVERY AND THE CASE SCHEDULE and ORDER

Plaintiffs, Defendants, and Defendant-Intervenors (hereafter the Parties) respectfully request that the Court enter an order in this case extending the time for fact discovery and changing the existing case schedule because additional time is required to complete fact discovery in this matter.

1. This case was filed on May 31, 2012 and alleges that Defendants are violating the Endangered Species Act by authorizing logging practices and making forest management

decisions that "take" – harm, harass, injure, and kill – threatened seabirds called marbled murrelets under the federal Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. §§ 1531, *et seq*.

- 2. On August 15, 2012, the Court issued a scheduling order for this matter. That order provided that: "Discovery is to be completed by 11/20/2012. Joint Alternate Dispute Resolution Report is due by 11/27/2012. Expert Witness Lists are due by 12/7/2012. Expert Discovery to be completed by 1/23/2013. Dispositive Motions are due by 2/8/2013. Pretrial Order is due by 5/17/2013. See Joint Motion [57] for additional deadlines that the Court does not track."
- 3. On September 10, 2012, the Parties exchanged their first sets of requests for production, admissions, and interrogatories.
- 4. On October 15, 2012, the Parties exchanged their initial written responses. The timber industry Intervenors produced their first batch of responsive documents on October 15, 2012. Plaintiffs produced their first batch of responsive documents on October 31, 2012. Defendants have not produced any documents in discovery as of the date of this filing.
- 5. Defendants believe that a Protective Order is necessary in this case to protect certain information in some of the documents that Plaintiffs requested in their document production requests. Defendants provided a draft Order to Plaintiffs' counsel on October 31, 2012. The Parties have been negotiating over the draft Protective Order in good faith to avoid the need to litigate over the scope and entry of this Order.
- 6. As a result of these circumstances, no depositions have been scheduled in this matter and the Parties have not discussed the adequacy of the initial discovery responses.

  Therefore, the Parties seek additional time in which to complete fact discovery.

- 7. The extension of the fact discovery deadline will alter the other deadlines set in the Court's August 15, 2012 Order but will not change the time set for trial, since these dates have not yet been selected.
- 8. Therefore, the Parties propose the following new schedule for discovery and pretrial proceedings in this matter:

Document Production March 1, 2013

Written Motions to Compel From November 2 to April 15, 2013

Completion of Fact Discovery: From November 20 to May 5, 2013

ADR Report Deadline From November 27 to May 12, 2013

Disclosure of Experts and Reports From December 7 to May 27, 2013

Rebuttal Expert disclosure: From January 16 to June 17, 2013

Close of Expert Discovery: From January 23 to June 24, 2013

Dispositive Motions (if filed) From February 8 to July 8, 2013

-Response brief From March 4 to August 8, 2013

-Reply Brief From March 18 to August 22, 2013

Pretrial Disclosures From April 12 to September 16, 2013

Pretrial Objections From April 26 to October 9, 2013

Pretrial Order From May 17 to November 8, 2013

- 9. Currently, fact discovery is set to close in this case on November 20, 2012.
- 10. For all these reasons, the Parties respectfully request that the Court either enter this new scheduling order or set aside the existing fact discovery deadline and hold a telephonic

conference as soon as possible to discuss any elements of the order that requires revision to fit the Court's calendar.

Respectfully submitted this 19th day of November, 2012,

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It Is So ORDERED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of November, 2012,

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Honorable Judge Aiken United States District Court for the District of Oregon